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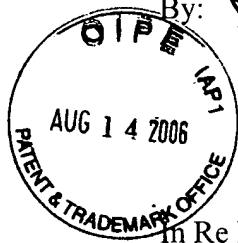
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**MAIL STOP RCE**



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Patent Application of :  
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Appln. No.: 10/748,401 : Examiner: Joseph D. Pape  
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Title: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING COMPOSITE VEHICLE PANELS

**AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 17, 2006. This response is being timely submitted by August 17, 2006 in view of the simultaneous submission of a three-month Petition for Extension of Time, including payment of fees.

Please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as follows: